Whereupon the Sheriff of Cecil County afd, being solemnly called upon to bring into Court the body of the said James Spear according to the return of the writ afd, did not bring in the same, but therein made default. Wherefore it was ruled by the Court here, that the said Sheriff should be amerced, forfeit and pay to the said State the sum of thirty seven pounds ten shillings Current money and the Quantity of six hundred and thirty and one fifth pound of Tobacco unless he should have the body of the said James Spear before the judges of the Court here, on the second Tuesday in September then next following: The same day is given to Luther Martin, there &c.

At which day, to wit, the said second Tuesday in September in the year seventeen hundred and eighty seven, here came again the said Luther Martin Attorney General as afd who for the said State in this behalf doth prosecute, and affiled his Declaration in the plea afd, against the said James Spear in manner and form following, to wit:

Maryland, Cecil County, to wit: } Thomas Barnett and James Spear sheriffs called Thomas Barnett and James Spear were summoned to answer unto the State of Maryland of a plea that they render unto the said State the sum of thirty seven pounds, ten shillings, Current money, which to the said State they owe and unjustly detain and so forth. And whereupon the said State by Luther Martin the said States Attorney saith that whereas the said Thomas and James on the thirteenth day of June in the year seventeen hundred and eighty five at the County afd, by their certain writing Obligatory acknowledge themselves to be held and firmly bound unto the said State in the aforesaid sum of thirty seven pounds, ten shillings, Current money to be paid to the said State of Maryland when afterwards they should be thereunto required. Nevertheless the afd Thomas and James (altho' often thereunto required) the aforesaid sum of thirty five pounds, ten shillings, Current money, to the said State of Maryland have not rendered or paid, but the same to the said State hitherto to render or pay they have altogether refused, and still do refuse, wherefore the said State brings Suit and so forth. And brings here into Court the writing Obligatory afd: Seal

with the seal of the afd Thomas and John which the Debt afd in form afd, witness &c, the date whereof is the day & year afd, and so forth.

L Martin for the plaintiff. pledges and so forth, John Doe and Richard Roe.

Whereupon the Sheriff of Cecil County afd, being solemnly called upon to bring into Court the body of the said James Spear according to the return of the writ afd, did not bring in the same, but therein made default: Wherefore it was ruled by the Court here, that the said Sheriff should be amerced, forfeit and pay to the said State the sum of Current money and Quantity of Tobacco afd unless he should have the Body of the said James Spear before the Judges of the same Court, on the second Tuesday in April then next following: The same day is given to Luther Martin Attorney General as aforesaid there &c. At which day, to wit, the said second Tuesday in April in the year seventeen hundred and Eighty Eight here came again the said Luther Martin Attorney General as afd and the Sheriff being solemnly called upon to bring here into Court, the Body of the said James Spear in compliance with the rule afd did not bring in the same but therein again made default: Wherefore it was ruled by the Court here, that the said Sheriff should be amerced, forfeit and pay to the said State the sum of money and quantity of Tobacco afd, unless he should have the body of the said James Spear before the Judges of the Court here, on the second tuesday in September then next following: The same day is given to Luther Martin Attorney as afd there &c. At which day, to wit, the said second Tuesday in September in the year seventeen hundred and Eighty eight here came again the said Luther Martin Attorney General as afd and the Sheriff being solemnly called upon to bring into Court the body of the said James Spear in compliance with the rule afd did not bring in the same but therein again made default: Wherefore it was ruled by the Court here, that the said Sheriff should be amerced, forfeit and pay to the said State the sum of money and quantity of Tobacco afd, unless he should have the Body of the said James Spear before the Judges of the Court here, on the second Tuesday then in April then next following: The same day is given to Luther Martin Attorney General as afd there &c. And now here at this day, to wit, the second Tuesday in April in the year seventeen hundred and eighty nine, here came